

Let us please do away with the whole concept of the 'copy protection bit.' There is no way that it can be effective; my understanding is that current hdtv equipment will simply ignore the bit. Moreover, I am aware of the current existence of hardware and software that allows raw hdtv transmissions to be copied directly to the harddrive. This setup would allow one to copy the entire signal; copy protection bit and all.

While the above reasons show that the copy protection bit will not help the movie/hdtv industries, I am a consumer. As a consumer any copy protection, effective or not, decreases the value of the hdtv services that I am paying for. Please don't start cramming copy protection down our throats; let us get what we pay for.

Thank you,
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